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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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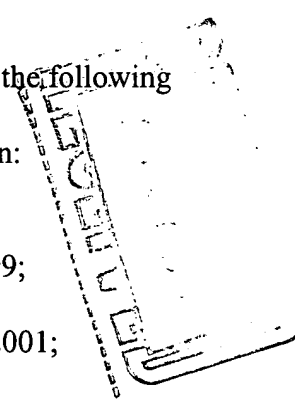
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified patent application:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,867,716 to Morimoto et al., issued February 2, 1999;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,275,810 to Hetherington et al., issued August 14, 2001;
- (3) Japanese Patent No. 409128088A to Iwabuchi et al., published May 16, 1997;
- (4) Japanese Patent No. 406259159A to Goto et al., published September 16, 1994;  
and
- (5) Japanese Patent No. 407225629A to Ando, published August 22, 1995.



A PTO-1449 form is included herewith listing these documents, and a copy of each of these documents is attached. These documents were cited in an International Search Report for a related PCT application, a copy of which is also attached.

The International Search Report is in English. Therefore, Applicants respectfully urge that further comment is unnecessary in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(3). However, Applicants respectfully point out that the International Search Report classifies these documents in categories P, X and Y.

A first Official Action has not yet issued for this application. Therefore, it is respectfully urged that no fees are required for the Examiner's consideration of the documents listed in this Information Disclosure Statement.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the documents listed above be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that they be made official of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent that may issue from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.704(d), Applicants hereby state that each item of information contained in the attached Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application, and that this communication was not received by any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	409128088A	05/16/1997	Japan			Yes Abstract
	406259159A	09/16/1994	Japan			Yes Abstract
	407225629A	08/22/1995	Japan			Yes Abstract

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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